## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Atty. Docket No.: 001309.00044

## Masahiro NAKAMURA

Serial No.:

**TBA** 

Filed:

Herewith

For:

FUNCTIONAL OBJECT DATA, FUNCTIONAL OBJECT IMAGING SYSTEM, AND OBJECT DATA TRANSMITTING UNIT, OBJECT DATA RECEIVING UNIT AND MANAGING UNIT FOR USE IN THE FUNCTIONAL OBJECT

**IMAGING SYSTEM** 

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to their duty of good faith and candor as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(a) Applicants submit herewith the references cited on the attached PTO form 1449.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider these references in connection with the search of the prior art required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.104.

It is believed that no fee is required to ensure consideration of the cited references by the Examiner. However, if a fee is deemed necessary, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated:

July 30, 2003

By:

Susan A. Wolffe

Registration No. 33,568

BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD. 1001 G Street, N.W., 11th Floor Washington, D.C. 20001

Tel: (202) 508-9100 Fax: (202) 508-9299

SAW:lab

Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE or respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute	e for form 1449A/PTO			Complete if Known			
				Application Number	TBA		
INFC	RMATION	DIS	CLOSURE	Filing Date	Herewith		
STA'	TEMENT BY	Y A	PPLICANT	First Named Inventor	Masahiro NAKAMURA		
				Group Art Unit	Unknown		
(use as many sheets as necessary)			necessary)	Examiner Name	Unknown		
Sheet	1	of	1	Attorney Docket Number	001309.00044		

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	U.S. Pa	atent Document	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear		
		Number	Kind Code <sup>2</sup> (if known)		Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY			
	-	<del> </del>		<del> </del>				
					<u> </u>			
		ļ						
	-	<del> </del>						

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS								
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.1	Foreign Patent Document  Office <sup>3</sup> Number <sup>4</sup> Kind Code <sup>5</sup> (if known)			Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T <sub>6</sub>
		JP	2001-1954	38	Matsushita Electric	07-19-2001		abst

	OTHER PRIOR ART NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials *	Cite No.1	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T <sup>2</sup>			
_						

Examiner	Date Considered			
Signature	Considered	1		